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Minutes 12/20/2007

Commissioners

Present: S. Makowka, B. Cohen, A. Frisch, Y. Logan, M. Penzenik,
 T. Smurzynski, J. Worden, J. Becker (AHC Commissioner)

Commissioners

Not Present: M. Hope Berkowitz, M. Kramer, M. Logan, M. Potter

Guests: Felicia & Matthew Snyder

1. **Meeting Opens** 8:00pm
 Joint meeting held with the AHDC and AHC (Jane Becker present from AHC)
 Original meeting postponed from previous week due to major snowstorm.
2. **Appointment of Alternate Commissioners** – B. Cohen, A. Frisch, S. Makowka, T. Smurzynski, appointed to Jason/Gray HDC; A. Frisch, S. Makowka, T. Smurzynski appointed to Pleasant Street HDC
3. **Approval of November 15, 2007 Minutes.** S. Makowka moved approval with specification that windows were correctly noted 6 over 1 for 26-28 Jason (Angelakis) project on Jason Street. J. Worden moved approval, seconded by B. Cohen, approved unanimously
4. **Communications**
 - a. Request for CONA re: 175 Pleasant Street for roof work (CONA issued)
 - b. Phone Calls and E-mails re: 188 Pleasant Street re: fence
 - c. Communications from J. Worden re: Mt Gilboa House Solar Installation – S. Makowka attended Conservation Commission hearing and gave update on proposal. Still a lot of work to be done, but applicant now knows that the property proposed is in a Historic District and totally visible at every angle because of its location, thus totally under our prevue for any exterior changes on the grounds.
 - d. Contact w/BOS re: appointment dates for Commissioners
 - e. Phone Calls and E-mails re: 354 Mass. Ave. re: handicap ramp
 - f. Phone Calls and E-mails with AHC re: Updating Mailing Lists
 - g. Communication w/Town Counsel re: charging of fees potential – S. Makowka spoke about charging fees – maybe a sliding scale depending on size of project or set amount for legal notice costs, etc. More work to be done regarding this idea. S. Makowka will talk with Town Counsel about process; A. Frisch will talk to neighboring town about this process. Will report back at next month's meeting
 - h. T. Smurzynski reported on his visit to 30 Russell Street (Shevlin). His findings show that most of work done per our COA except for treatment of the wood (either painted or stained according to COA) but this may not have been done yet due to the weather conditions. We will keep this open until completed. T. Smurzynski will follow up at later date in the spring.
5. **New Business**

Hearings (typically last around 20 minutes per application) 9:00pm

 - a. Formal Hearing re: 188 Pleasant Street (Snyder) re: installation of new fence
 Matthew Snyder and his fiancée Felicia presented pictures, drawings and plot plans for the proposed fence at 188 Pleasant Street. Issue is safety for pets and children from the front of the property. M. Snyder commented that he was new to neighborhood and wanted to work with Commission to enhance the property within the Pleasant Street Historic District. Wants fence not too high or obstructive of view of the house. House is set very low to the ground (only 1 step up from sidewalk level) so any tall fence would not work. Showed picture of fence recently approved at 8-10 Central Street and liked that very much. Discussion about height, opening between pickets, cap on posts and exchange to the house on the driveway side. Will be putting a gate on the porch to match existing porch rail system. Brief discussion about the incline of the fence – racked or stepped. Decision was for racked. Further discussion about having monitor grant final approval to the fence proposed prior to installation – ok with applicant. B. Cohen moved that the Pleasant Street Historic District

Commission, having fully reviewed the application before it, finds that the project under consideration, if constructed according to the plans and pictures submitted therewith for a 30" high cedar fence with 5 x 5 solid posts (no pressure treated) with caps, fence to match picture presented for previously approved project at 8-10 Central Street, gate to line up with front door entrance. New gate on porch to match existing porch railing and balustrade. Project will be in harmony and not incongruous with the historical and architectural values of the district. A. Frisch seconded. Approved unanimously. A. Frisch appointed monitor.

- b. Formal Hearing re: 754 Massachusetts Ave. (Vorlicek) re: installation of new handicap access. Applicant not present and M. Penzenik recused herself from deliberations and presented project for applicant. M. Penzenik presented plans now showing removal of kitchenette to put in a new door. Two windows on the second floor will be added at rear of property and stained glass window on Jason Street side will be removed and original style window will be returned in its place. Discussion amongst Commissioners regarding process for approval because original request only for handicap access, now window changes are being added. Does this constitute such an insubstantial change that a 10-day Certificate could be used for the windows? Decision was yes it does qualify for a 10-day Certificate for window changes. J. Worden moved that the original application for the handicap access be acted upon first and that the Jason/Gray Historic District Commission, having fully reviewed the application before it with the additional documentation presented at the AHDC meeting on 12/20/07 by M. Penzenik, finds that the project under consideration, if constructed according to the plans submitted therewith, will be in harmony and not incongruous with the historical and architectural values of the district. Seconded by B. Cohen, M. Penzenik abstained. Approved by remaining commissioners. J. Worden now moved that the Jason/Gray Historic District Commission, having fully reviewed the application before it, finds that the project under consideration, if constructed according to the plans submitted therewith by M. Penzenik on 12/20/07, will be in harmony and not incongruous with the historical and architectural values of the district. Since the effect of the change will be insubstantial to the building and the district, it is determined that a public hearing can be dispensed with, and a certificate issued after abutters have been notified and a ten day period for comments has passed. Seconded by B. Cohen. Approved by remaining Commissioners. S. Makowka appointed monitor on project. M. Penzenik again recused herself. Remaining commissioners granted approval.

6. Other Business

- a. J. Worden asked if Commissioners had taken opportunity to view J. Nyberg's property on Lowell Street in preparation of proposed additional house. Reminded them that J. Nyberg will probably be coming in soon for further discussion and Commissioners need to be familiar with property. S. Makowka agreed and asked C. Greeley to check on status of next visit from J. Nyberg for informal hearing

7. Old Business

8. Review of Projects

1. 80 Westminster Avenue (Reitzel 00-09M) – Berkowitz
2. 14-16 Russell Street (Alex 00-28R), 10/01 (certificate modified 11/01) – Makowka
3. 35 Jason Street (Lynch 00-33J) 12/01; 01-08J) 05/02 – Makowka-COA
4. 11 Westmoreland Avenue (Caruso 01-12M) 6/02 – Cohen-COA
5. 139-141 Westminster (Entov 03-18M) – Berkowitz-COA
6. 14 Jason Street (window change w/o permit) - Makowka
7. 144 Pleasant Street (Cole, 04-1P) – Potter-COA
8. 25 Elder Terrace (Cantlon, 04-3G) – Cohen-COA
9. 79 Crescent Hill (Moore, 04-5G) – Cohen-CONA
10. 72 Westminster Ave. (Colman, 04-6G) – Y. Logan-COA
11. 74 Pleasant Street (St John's Episcopal Church, 04-10P) – Makowka-CONA
12. 56 Jason Street (Tanner, 04-15J) – Kuhn-COA
13. 15 Russell Street (Lagow, 04-17R) – Penzenik (changed from Kuhn)-COA
14. 118 Pleasant Street (Pleasant St. Realty Trust, 04-21P) - Makowka-CONA
15. 50 Pleasant Street (Town of Arlington, 04-22P) – Penzenik-COA
16. 19 Westmoreland Ave. (Munro, 04-23M) – Potter-CONA
17. 19 Westmoreland Ave. (Munro, 04-24M) – Potter-COA
18. 40-42 Pleasant Street (Barbosa for Scire, 05-04P) – Makowka – CONA
19. 75 Westminster Ave. (Dressler, 05-06M) – Makowka – COA
20. 175 Lowell Street (Erickson for Hill, 05-07M) – Cohen – COA
21. 15 Montague Street (Barkans, 05-08M) – Cohen – CONA
22. 145 Pleasant Street (Colt, - 05-13P) – Santos – COA
23. 203 Lowell Street (Salocks & Stafford – 05-15M) – Makowka – CONA
24. 14-16 Russell Street (Alvin Robbins Condo Trust – 05-23R) – Cohen – COA
25. 105 Westminster Avenue (Orrigo – 05-27M) – Cohen – COA
26. 34 Westminster Avenue (Ahlin for Heinrich – 05-28M) – Santos – COA

27. 14 Westmoreland Avenue (Leveille – 05-29M) – Makowka – CONA
28. 145 Pleasant Street (Colt – 05-30P) – Makowka – CONA
29. 28 Academy Street (Rehrig – 05-34P) – Penzenik – COA
30. 109 Crescent Hill Ave. (Sienkiewicz – 05-35M) – Frisch – COA
31. 10 Central Street (Hedlund – 05-36C) – Penzenik – COA
32. 145 Pleasant Street (Colt – 06-01P) – Santos – CONA
33. 118 Westminster Ave. (Stansbury – 06-02M) – Frisch – COA
34. 7 Westmoreland Ave. (Levy – 06-03M) – Penzenik – COA
35. 205 Pleasant Street (Kavanaugh – (originally 05-30Pcorrected to 06-05P) – Makowka – CONA
36. 106 Crescent Hill Ave. (Magnussen – 06-07M) – Alberg – COA
37. 106 Crescent Hill (Magnussen – 06-10M) – Makowka – CONA
38. 42 Academy Street (Sachs – 06-12P) – Penzenik – COA
39. 197 Lowell Street (Svencer – 06-13M) – Makowka – COA
40. 1 Monadnock Road (Starks & Hopeman – 06-15P) – Makowka – CONA
41. 20 Maple Street (Kapinos – 06-16P) – Makowka – CONA
42. 140 Pleasant Street (Haas – 06-17P) – Makowka – CONA
43. 203 Lowell Street (Salocks & Stafford – 06-20M) – Potter – COA
44. 23 Jason Street (Shedin for Leary – 06-21J) – Makowka – CONA
45. 106 Crescent Hill Ave. (Magnussen – 06-22M) – Makowka – CONA
46. 123 Westminster Ave. (Urgotis – 06-26M) – Makowka – CONA (Front Steps)
47. 109 Westminster Ave. (Rimes – 06-27M) – Makowka – CONA (Roof Shingles)
48. 111 Pleasant St. (Fredieu – 06-28P) – Makowka – CONA (Front Porch & Main Roof)
49. 16 Maple St. (Rogers – 06-29P) – Makowka – CONA (Tool Shed Demolition)
50. 16 Central St. (Keane for Piechota – 06-30C) – Makowka – CONA (Roof Replacement)
51. 26 Academy St. (Wright – 06-31P) – Makowka – COA (Stoop & Railing Replacement)
52. 243 Pleasant St. (Ferranti – 06-36P) – Makowka – CONA (Roof Replacement)
53. 23 Russell St. (Glover – 06-38R) – Cohen – COA (Porch Rail, Window, Fence)
54. 105 Pleasant St. (Ferraguto – 06-40P) – Makowka – CONA (Front Portico & Beams)
55. 99 Westminster Ave. (Doctrow – 06-43M) – Cohen - COA (Porch)
56. 50 Pleasant St. (Town of Arlington – 06-44P) - Mahowka - CONA (Front Door)
57. 188 Pleasant Street (Spencer – 07-01P) – Makowka – CONA (Gutters, Porch Repairs)
58. 109 Crescent Hill Ave. (Peik for Sienkiewicz – 07-02M) – Frisch – COA (Windows)
59. 251 Pleasant St. (Fitch – 07-03P) – Frisch – COA (Doors)
60. 109-117 Crescent Hill Ave. (Sienkiewicz – Denial 2007) – Makowka (New Construction)
61. 144 Pleasant St. (Yates – 07-04P) – Makowka – CONA (Rear Basement Window)
62. 111 Pleasant St. (Fredieu – 07-05P) – Makowka – CONA (Chimney, Garage Door, Repairs, etc)
63. 390 Mass. Ave. (Kozelian – 07-06A) – Makowka – CONA (Soffit, Fascia, Rafter, Gutter & Slates)
64. 246 Pleasant St. (Eykamp – 07-07P) – Makowka – COA (Driveway, Patio & Portico)
65. 111 Pleasant St. (Fredieu – 07-08P) – Frisch – COA (Gutters, Valley & Scuppers)
66. 12 Russell Terrace (Caritas – 07-09R) – Makowka – CONA (Temporary Fence)
67. 152B Pleasant St. (Cury – 07-10P) – Makowka – CONA (Hot Tub & Fence At Rear)
68. 16 Maple St. (Rogers – 07-11P) – Makowka – CONA (Deck)
69. 23 Maple St. (ARB – 07-12P) – Makowka – CONA (Chimney, Soffitts, Fascia, Gutters)
70. 143-145 Westminster (Ketcios -07-13M) – Makowka – CONA (Trim & Floor Boards on Porch)
71. 24 Irving St. (Kelly – 07-14P) – Makowka – CONA (Windows, Sills, Porch & Balcony)
72. 46 Westminster Ave. (Surratt – 07-15M) – Makowka – CONA (Porch Repair)
73. 152b Pleasant St. (Cury – 07-16P) – Worden – COA (Fence)
74. 8-10 Central St. (Hedlund – 07-17C) – Frisch – COA (Fence & Pergola)
75. 72 Westminster Ave. (Coleman – 07-19M) – Makowka – COA (Windows)
76. 10 Montague St. (Jirak – 07-20M) – Makowka – CONA (Fence Replacement)
77. 157 Lowell St. (Stevens – 07-21M) – Makowka – CONA (Porch)
78. 7 Oak Knoll (Bailey – 07-22P) – Makowka – CONA (A/C Duct & Condit)
79. 3 Westmoreland Ave. (Canty – 07-23M) – Makowka – CONA (Roof & Light)
80. 182 Westminster Ave. (Meikle – 07-24M) – Makowka – CONA (Roof, Doors, Windows)
81. 17 Oak Knoll (Rogers for Stein – 07-25P) – Makowka – CONA (Roof)
82. 145 Pleasant St. (Colt – 07-26P) – Makowka – CONA (Wall)
83. 23 Maple St. (Town of Arl – 07-27P) – Makowka – COA (Siding Removal)
84. 110 Crescent Hill Ave. (Lockery – 07-28M) – Frisch – COA (Rear Addition)
85. 25 Avon Place (Smith – 07-29A) – Cohen – COA (Gutters)
86. 72 Crescent Hill Ave. (Lamont – 07-30M) – Cohen – COA (Window, Structure Removals)
87. 40 Russell St. (Allen – 07-31R) – Makowka – CONA (Cellar Steps, Bulkhead, Awning)
88. 50 Pleasant St. (Town of Arl – 07-32P) – Makowka – COA (Wood Gutters & Fascia)
89. 20 Maple St. (Kapinos – 07-33P) – Makowka – CONA (Shutters)
90. 16 Maple St. (Rogers – 07-34P) – Makowka – CONA (Shed)
91. 3 Westmoreland Ave. (Canty & Eng – 07-35M) – Makowka - COA (Fence)
92. 30 Russell Street (Shovlin – 07-36R) – Makowka – CONA (Garage Doors & Fence)

93. 36 Jason Street (Smith – 07-37P) – Makowka – CONA (Wood Fascia & Shingles)
94. 30 Russell Street (Shovlin – 07-38R) – Smurzynski – COA (Rear Porches, Deck, Stairs, Rail)
95. 109 Westminster Ave. (Rines – 07-39M) – Dubell – COA (Steps, Walls)
96. 151 Lowell Street (Wyman – 07-40M) – Logan – COA (Garage)
97. 23 Maple Street. (Town of Arl. – 07-41P) – Makowka – CONA (Insulation Installation)
98. 17 Russell Terrace (Born – 07-42R) – Makowka – CONA (Gutters, Downspouts, Fascia)
99. 42 Pleasant St. (Bauer – 07-43P) – Cohen – 10 Day COA (Wooden Sign)
100. 23 Water St. (Whitford – 07-44R) – Cohen – COA (Shed)
101. 20 Academy St. (Town of Arl. – 07-45P) – Makowka – CONA (Gutters, Soffits, Fascia)
102. 23 Maple St. (Town of Arl. – 07-46P) – Makowka – CONA (Clapboard Siding)
103. 40 Jason St. (Foley – 07-47J) – Makowka – CONA (Roof, Chimney, Windows)
104. 40 Jason St. (Foley – 07-47J) – Makowka – CONA (Driveway w/o Change of Grade)
105. 246 Pleasant St. (Eykamp – 07-48P) – Makowka – CONA (Windows)
106. 40 Westminster Ave. (Fairfield – 07-49M) – Makowka – CONA (Siding, Door, Windows, Trim and Chimney – matching materials)
107. 128 Pleasant St. (Condo Assoc. – 07-50P) – Makowka – COA (Wood Shed)
108. 40 Russell St. (Allen – 07-51R) – Makowka – CONA (Rear Steps & Railings)
109. 40 Jason St. (Foley – 07-52J) – Makowka – COA (Driveway Change of Grade, Wall)
110. 149 Pleasant St. (Alberto – 07-53P) – Penzenik – COA (Porch Windows)
111. 26-28 Jason St. (Angelakis – 07-54J) – Cohen – COA (Garage & Wall)
112. 23 Maple St. (Town of Arl (Barry) – 07-55P) – COA (Window Trim, Siding, Hood, Shed)
113. 170 Pleasant St. (Gills& Kelly – 07-56P) – 10 Day COA (Basement Windows)
114. 175 Pleasant St. (Lucchese – 07-57P) – CONA (Roof Shingles)

Meeting adjourned 10:15 pm